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HONGKONG, FRIDAY, MAY 18, 1887.

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PRICE, \$2 PER MONTH.

AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON.—E. ALAN, 11 & 12, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street, E. C. GIBSON, Son & Co., 20, Cornhill, GORDON & GOUGH, Ludgate Circus, E. C. HENRY & CO., 37, Walbrook, E. C. SAMUEL DRACON & CO., 150 & 154, Leadenhall Street, W. M. WILLS, 151, Cannon Street, E. C.  
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NEW YORK.—AWEW WIND, 21, Park Row.  
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CEYLON.—W. M. SMITH & CO., The Navigation Co., Colombo.  
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## Banks.

### NOTICE.

RULES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS' BANK.

- The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours on week-days, 10 a.m. to Saturdays, 10 a.m.
- Sum less than \$1, or more than \$250 at one time will not be received. No depositor may deposit more than \$2,500 in any one year.
- Depositors in the Savings' Bank having \$100 or more at their credit may at their option transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent. per annum interest.
- Interest at the rate of 3% per cent. per annum will be allowed to depositors on their daily balances.
- Each Depositor will be supplied gratis with a Pass-Book which must be presented when each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not enter themselves in their Pass-Books but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and beginning of July.
- Correspondence as to the business of the Bank if marked On Hongkong Savings' Bank Business is forwarded free by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and China.
- Withdrawals may be made on demand, but the personal attendance of the depositor or his duly appointed agent, and the production of his Pass-Book are necessary.

For the  
HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,  
JOHN WALTER,  
Acting Chief Manager,  
Hongkong, June 7, 1887.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....\$7,500,000  
RESERVE FUND.....\$4,500,000  
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS.....\$7,500,000

COUNCIL OF DIRECTORS.  
Chairman—G. M. GROTE, Esq.  
Deputy Chairman—C. D. BOWDITCH, Esq.  
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MANAGER—EWEN CAMERON, Esq.  
LONDON BANKERS—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.  
INTEREST ALLOWED.  
On Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits—  
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.  
" " 6 per cent. " "  
" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

LOCAL BANK DISCOUNTED.  
Or will be granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Or will be granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

JOHN WALTER,  
Acting Chief Manager,  
Hongkong, February 26, 1887.

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Intimations.

THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-ORDINARY General Meeting will be held at the Company's Office, Pedder Street, Hongkong, on MONDAY, the 16th day of May, 1887, at 12 of the Clock noon, at which the Special Resolutions passed To-day will be submitted for Confirmation.

ISAAC HUGHES,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, April 26, 1887.

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DENTISTRY.

FIRST CLASS WORKMANSHIP.  
MODERATE FEES.

MR. WONG TAI-PONG,  
Surgeon Dentist.  
(FORMERLY ARTICLED APPRENTICE AND LAT-  
TERLY ASSISTANT TO DR. ROBERT.)

At the urgent request of his European and American patients and friends, has TAKEN THIS OFFICE formerly occupied by DR. ROBERT,

No. 2, DUNDELL STREET.

CONSULTATION FREE.

Discount to missionaries and families.

Sole Address—  
2, DUNDELL STREET.

(Next to the New Oriental Bank.)

Hongkong, January 12, 1887.

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## Intimations.

### NOTICE.

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

ONE of the STEAM VESSELS of the above Companies is appointed to leave HONGKONG for AUSTRALIAN PORTS every nine days. When the sailing date falls on a SUNDAY, the Departure will take place at Daylight on that day.

Schedule of Sailings to 30th June, 1887.

May... 13 June... 9

" 22 " 18

" 31 " 27

RUSSELL & CO., Agents, Eastern & Australian Steamship Co., Ltd.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents, China Navigation Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, April 1, 1887.

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NOTICE.

CHAS. J. GAUPP & CO., Chronometer, Watch & Clock Makers, Jewellers, Gold & Silversmiths.

NAUTICAL, SCIENTIFIC AND METEOROLOGICAL INSTRUMENTS.

VORTEXLAND'S CELEBRATED BINOCULARS AND TELESCOPES.

KRISTOFFER'S LIQUID AND OTHER COMPASSES.

ADMIRALTY INCH CHARTS.

NAUTICAL BOOKS.

English SILVER & ELECTRO-PLATEDWARE.

CHRISTOFFER'S JEWEELLERY,

in great variety.

DIAMOND'S

DIAMOND JEWELLERY,

A Splendid Collection of the Latest LONDON PATTERNS, at very moderate prices.

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NOTICE.

THE Undersigned are Sole Agents for Hongkong and Manila for the Sale of THE MONTSERRAT LIME JUICE,

CORDIALS.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.

Hongkong, May 3, 1887.

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NOTICE.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHIPMASTERS and ENGINEERS are respectfully informed that upon their arrival in this Harbour, NONE of the Company's FOREMEN should be engaged, Orders for REPAIRS sent to the Head Office, No. 14, Praya Central, will receive prompt attention.

In the Event of Complaints being found necessary, Communication with the Undersigned is required, when immediate steps will be taken to rectify the cause of dissatisfaction.

D. GILLIES,

Secretary.

Hongkong, August 25, 1887.

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NOTICE.

THE RICHMOND TERRACE ESTATE AND BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the

Chairman, Mr. G. M. GROTE, Esq.

Deputy Chairman—C. D. BOWDITCH, Esq.

H. E. H. RUTHERFORD, Esq.

W. H. E. DABNEY, Esq.

H. L. DAILEY, Esq.

H. A. P. MCNEIL, Esq.

A. MOYER, Esq.

H. HORPITT, Esq.

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NOTICE.

THE REGISTER of SHARES will be CLOSED from THURSDAY, the 12th Instant, to MONDAY, the 16th Instant, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

JOHN WILLMOTT,

Secretary.

Hongkong, May 8, 1887.

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Hongkong, January 12, 1887.

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## Business Notices.

### Summer!

#### FAIR & CREAMY WORDS.

ARE NOW SHOWING NEW GOODS IN THEIR

GENTLEMEN'S OUTFITTING DEPARTMENT,

including MANY NOVELTIES in—

UNDERSHIRTS and DRAWERS.

Fancy and Plain SUMMER HALF-HOSE.

New LAWN TENNIS JERSEYS.

SILK and WOOL and SILK TENNIS SHIRTS.

Fancy CAMBRIE SCARVES and TIES.

The Newest SUMMER CLOTHES.

BATHING COSTUMES and DRESSES.

LADIES' BATH WRAPS.

BATH TOWELS and SPONGES.

UMBRELLAS and PARASOLS.

LADIES' WATERPROOF CLOAKS.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.'S Extra Thin CAMBRIE SHIRTS.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.'S TROPICAL FELT HATS.

TERAI, SOFT FELT, and TENNIS HATS.

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## Entertainment.

THEATRE ROYAL,  
CITY HALL, HONGKONG.

TO-MORROW EVENING,  
the 14th May, 1887.

GRAND OPENING NIGHT OF  
SALLINGER'S ENGLISH OPERA  
BOUFOFF COMPANY.

Business Manager, - Mr. N. SALLINGER.  
Stage Manager, - A. RIGBY.

FOR A FEW NIGHTS ONLY.  
First Time in the East on a Grand Scale  
GILBERT & SULLIVAN'S  
Most Popular Fairy Comic Opera,

'IOLANTHE'

on

'THE PEER AND THE PERI.'

CASE OF CHARACTERS:

The Lord Chancellor - Mr. Arthur Rigby.  
Earl of Mountnarrow - R. D'Este.

Earl Tolloller - A. Fawcett.

Private Willis (of the  
Grecian Guards) - G. Wilson.

Stephen (an Arcadian  
Shepherd) - H. Salinger.

Queen of the Fairies - Miss Elsa Wilson.

Iolanthe (a Fairy, Stroop-  
hon's Mother) - Tillie Stanney.

Leila (a Fairy) - Alice Bennett.

Phyllis (an Arcadian  
Shepherdess and Ward  
in Chancery) - Lena Salinger.

CHORUS OF EARLS AND FAIRIES.

Act I.  
An Arcadian Landscape.

Act II.  
Palace Yard, Westminster.

BATH BETWEEN 1700 AND 1887.

The New Scenery specially painted by  
M. R. WOOD.

BEAUTIFUL NEW COSTUMES AND  
APPOINTMENTS.

Musical Director, Mr. H. W. POWYS WOOD.  
Leader of Orchestra, Mr. C. SCHROEDER.

PRICES OF ADMISSION:

Dress Circle and Stalls, - \$2.

Back Seats, - \$1.

Military and Sailors in uniform, Half  
Price, to Back Seats only.

To avoid disappointment secure your Seats  
early.

Reserve Seats may be booked at Messrs.  
KELLY & WALKIN'S, Limited, where a Plan  
of the Hall may be seen.

Doors open at 8.30. Commence at 9 p.m.

Hongkong, May 13, 1887. 903

## To-day's Advertisements.

## NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES  
MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Co.'s Steamship  
Menzech,  
Commandant Menzech,  
Cunardian BRAVO,  
will be despatched from  
KOBE and YOKOHAMA TO-MORROW,  
the 14th instant, at 5 p.m.

G. de CHAMPEAUX,  
Agent.

Hongkong, May 13, 1887. 903

## NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES  
MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Co.'s Steamship  
Anadyr,  
Commandant DELACROIX,  
will be despatched for  
SHANGHAI TO-MORROW, the 14th  
instant, at 6 p.m.

G. de CHAMPEAUX,  
Agent.

Hongkong, May 13, 1887. 907

## NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES  
MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Co.'s Steamship  
Pauhmer,  
Captain LEASK, will be  
despatched as above on  
THURSDAY, the 19th instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
JARDINE, MATTHESON & CO.,  
General Managers.

Hongkong, May 13, 1887. 904

## STEAMSHIP ANADYR.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES  
MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

MAILS will close:-

For SWATOW, AMOY & TAMSUL -

For FORMOSA, on Saturday, the  
14th inst.

For SWATOW & BANGKOK -

For MONGOLIA, at 1.30 p.m., on Saturday,  
the 14th inst.

For STRAITS AND CALCUTTA -

For TAIWAN, at 2.30 p.m., on Saturday,  
the 14th inst.

For KOBE & YOKOHAMA -

For S. S. MENZIECH, on Saturday, the  
14th inst. Registry ceases at 4.15  
p.m. Mail closes at 4.30 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. de CHAMPEAUX,  
Agent.

Hongkong, May 13, 1887. 909

## Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor  
Officers will be Responsible for  
any Debt contracted by the Officers or  
Crew of the following Vessel, during  
their stay in Hongkong Harbour:-

ARGAX, British steamer, Captain Alex.  
Cook.

JARDINE, MATTHESON & CO.,  
CABIN, Swedish barque, Captain C. O.  
LEUTSTADSEN, Melchers Co.

EDORA, British barque, Captain C. E.  
Fulton, - Chinese.

GENERAL WEIDER, Germ. sir, Capt. W.  
Schulteck.

WAUGHSEND, American ship, Capt. C. O.  
Oakland, - Other.

WYVERN, British steamer, Captain J.  
Brotherton, Siemssen & Co.

## SHIPPING.

## ARRIVALS.

May 13, 1887 -

City of Peking, American steamer, 5,070,  
G. D. Doosan, San Francisco April 16,

and Yokohama May 7, Mails and General,  
P. M. S. S. Co.

Protos, German steamer, 1,093, C. Soren-  
sen, Bangkok May 1, and Koh-si-chang 5,  
Rico - ED. SCHMIDELSEN & Co.

Hydra, German barque, 785, C. Bing, Hong-  
kong April 3, Ballast - SIEMSEN & Co.

Narva, British s.s., 862, T. G. Poole,  
Fowey May 10, Amoy 11, General - DUGGAN STEAMSHIP CO.

Hesperi, German steamer, 1,136, G.  
Christiansen, Kobe May 7, General -

Soochow, British steamer, 327, J. Rowin,  
Hollow May 12, General - KWOK LEE  
Looche.

Anadyr, French s.s., 2,773, Delawin,  
Marseille April 10, Port Said 16, Suez 16,  
Aden 21, Colombo 29, Singapore May 6,  
and Saigon 10, Mails and General - MEC-  
SABELLES MARITIMES.

Continental, American ship, 1,069, J. F.  
Gilkey, San Francisco April 30, Ballast -

Order.

Rambler, British sloop, from a cruise.

## DEPARTURES.

May 13 -

Clara, for Toulon.

Glenroy, for Woosung.

Meridian, for Saxon.

Anadyr, for Nagasaki.

Cheng Hock Kien, for Singapore.

Travancore, for Bangkok.

## Cleared.

Marianne, for Illico.

Chelmsford, for Illico.

Melita, for Hoilow.

Fusius, for Shanghai.

## PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per City of Peking, from San Francisco.

Mr. Pye, Inspector J. Orrock, and 123  
Chinese.

For Nomura, from Swatow 5 Chinese.

For Protos, from Bangkok 5 Chinese.

For Namou, from Great Port, 1 Chinese.

For further particulars, apply at the  
Company's Office.

G. de CHAMPEAUX,  
Agent.

Hongkong, May 13, 1887. 905

H. E. Ellerton and E. H. Fraser, and 112  
Chinese.

Dr. Hayes, from Honolulu, 21 Chinese.

Per Hyacinth, from Kobe, Mr. Luboff,  
and 6 Chinese.

Per Soochow, from Hoilow, 19 Chinese.

Per Anadyr, for Hongkong : from Mar-  
seilles, Mr. Bechtin, Mrs. Bancey's aman, Mr.  
Siemens, Mrs. Cooker's aman, Mrs. d'Avila's  
aman ; from Aden, Mr. Romancy ; from  
Colombo, Brother Athur ; from Singapore,  
and servant, 2 Indians and 2 Chinese.

For Nagasaki, Mad. Latshaw, 33 Chi-  
nese. For Shanghai, Mr. Marmille, Mrs.  
Elias, Mrs. Nick Davis, Garibaldi, Mr.  
Eas, and Mrs. O. F. Fox, from Singapore, Mr. A.  
Faldochon ; from Saigon, Mr. Lindo. Per  
Hoilow, from Marseilles, Mr. and Mrs.  
Assas, Messrs. A. Nagamatu, Campredon  
Adel.

MEMOS FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.

Daylight - Zambo leaves for B'ay, etc.

Daylight - Tsingtao leaves for Australian  
Ports.

Neon - Formosa leaves for Swatow, etc.

3 p.m. - Occidental & Oriental S. S. Co.'s  
Steamer leaves for Yokohama and San  
Francisco.

5 p.m. - Manila leaves for Kobe, &c.

6 p.m. - Anadyr leaves for Shanghai.

9 p.m. - Performance at the City Hall.

Miscellaneous.

Notice of Optional Cargo per Anadyr  
to be sent in before 10 a.m.

Claims against the Arkle must be sent  
in to Messrs. Russell & Co., on or  
before this date.

MESSRS. JORDINE, MATTHESON & CO. inform  
us that the Glen Line Steamer Glenfinlas, from  
London, left Singapore for this port  
to-day, the 13th instant.

THE CITY OF PEKING, on her arrival at San  
Francisco on the last trip, had to go into  
quarantine for four days, owing to there  
being a case of small-pox on board.

It was expected that the British gunboat

Rattler would be commissioned for the

China Station when she came out of Sheer-  
dock Bay on the 19th ultmo.

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AMUSEMENTS.

9 p.m. - Performance at the City Hall.

WATER FILTERS,

WITH RENEWABLE MEDIUM.

Handbooks, showing Construction and  
Patterns, supplied on application.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.

HAVE BEEN APPOINTED  
SOLE AGENTS  
IN HONGKONG, CHINA AND MANILA,  
FOR M. MAWSON'S  
NEW PATENT

WATER FILTERS,

WITH RENEWABLE MEDIUM.

Our share list is unavoidably crushed out.

Banks were quoted to-day at 136; China  
89, sellers; Indo-Chinas 10/- dis-

sults; Ducks 87 cash and 90 for August;

bulls; Icos 50; and Wharves 62.

UNLESS previously promoted, Captain W.  
H. Cumming, R.N., (Commodore Moran's  
predecessor on this station) who is in receipt  
of a good service pension, and fill the  
third place on the active list of his rank,  
will have to retire on the 26th inst., when  
he reaches his fifty-fifth birthday.

The Foochow Echo of the 7th instant says:

## THE CHINA MAIL.

Police Magistracy with a press for keeping records, similar to the one supplied in 1883. The mine was referred to the Finance Committee.

THE REGULATORY AT CAUSEWAY BAY.—The Acting Colonial Secretary laid on the table a paper by the Surveyor General on the reclamations at Causeway Bay and buildings thereto, and moved that it be referred to the Public Works Committee.

The Surveyor General suggested that the other members of the Council should associate themselves with the Public Works Committee in the consideration of the report. He believed that, according to the Standing Orders, they could do so.

Mr. Attwells, Attorney General, replied to His Excellency, and said that the members of the Committees of the Council were open to all members and the Public Works Committee; was one of the standing Committees.

The paper will be found in another column.

## THE OPIUM ORDINANCE.

TELEGRAM FROM PEKING.

His Excellency: I should like before we proceed to other business to read out to the Hon. members a telegram that came in to my hands last Sunday with reference to the proposed new Opium Ordinance.

London, April 15.—The Tung-tien Yamen accepted the amendments as

an experiment, and, but request you to add one condition to retain license.

namely, that the retail export of quantities less than one chest should only take place by junk and the Canton River steamer.

that is, the retail sale is not allowed to send broken chests to any treaty port except Canton.

Thereupon the Executive Council

was at once assembled, and a telegram was dispatched immediately afterwards to Downing Street, saying that this Government saw no objection whatever, and that we should like to know if the Home Government agreed. That telegram must have reached Home, I think, last Monday, and since then we have had no news.

I thought it was satisfactory for government to know what has been done and that there has been no delay whatever on the part of this Government. And I am sure it will be very satisfactory to Honorable members to see that in substance our counter proposals have been as well received by the Tung-tien Yamen.

## THE JURON ORDINANCE.

The Council then went into Committee on the Ordinance to amend and consolidate the law relating to jurors.

The Acting Attorney General, referring to Clause 5, said it had been suggested that among the exemptions, they should add "schoolmasters." The reasons which had been given were that most of the private schools were great aid schools, and that taking into consideration the holidays, Mahomedan feasts, Chinese feasts, it was very difficult indeed to put in the number of attendances required, namely 180, and that if they were to lose perhaps 3 or 4 days in the year, it would be a loss of 12.

Clause 23 was then amended so as to include this provision.

The Acting Attorney General said that sufficient time had been made for the examination of four members to be allowed to a prisoner. They had this provision in Singapore. He did not know, however, if it was necessary here, and made no proposal on the subject.

The Acting Attorney General said the Law Revision Committee suggested that provision should be made that in capital cases the jury should not consist of less than seven men.

Clause 23 was then amended so as to include this provision.

The Acting Attorney General also said that sufficient time had been made for the examination of four members to be allowed to a prisoner. They had this provision in Singapore. He did not know, however, if it was necessary here, and made no proposal on the subject.

The Acting Chief Justice said the provision occurred in the Singapore code. As the Law Committee was really only a revision committee to consolidate old ordinances it did not incorporate the provision. However the community was much larger than in 1864, and it might be thought they should not follow what was done then. At present there was no challenge allowed, the prisoner. The Queen had the right, and the custom was: if the prisoner made any objection his judges generally asked the Acting Attorney General whether it, and of course the Attorney General always assented to the challenge. As the jury list was large, it might now be useful if the prisoner were allowed to challenge four persons, but he did not think it made any difference.

No one made the suggestion referred to, and Clause 23 was adopted as it stood.

The Acting Attorney General then moved that the Standing Orders be suspended which provided that any Bill to which amendments had been made should not be read a third time at the same meeting at which it passed through committee. He said it was uncertain when they might meet again and the amendment made to the Bill were very slight.

The Standing Orders were suspended, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.

## THREE BILLS PASSED.

The three bills were read a third time and passed: An Ordinance to enable the Trustees of the Rhineland Missionary Society to sell and dispose of certain Landholdings property; An Order in the Colony of Hongkong; and An Ordinance for the naturalisation of Oon Kwok Ying; An Ordinance to consolidate the Law relating to various licences.

## ADJOURNMENT.

Hongkong, 25th April, 1887.

Sir.—The congested population of the city is now attaining proportions that cannot but cause anxiety to those responsible for the maintenance of the Public Health.

2. The bill becomes aggravated by year to year with the increase of fresh arrivals from the continent, who are said to arrive here at the rate of 600 every month or over 7,000 every year.

3. Aware of the dangers of overcrowding, the Government has included in the Public Health Bill certain provisions against this evil.

4. But it will be difficult to legislate against overcrowding unless in anticipation of such legislation, opportunity is afforded to builders of acquiring sites for the erection of new houses for the reception of the overflow of people to be turned out of the central districts under the provisions of the new Act.

5. Quite recently, the Sanitary Board urged attention to the necessity of making appropriate provision for the erection of more houses in view of the express desire of the Home Government to reduce the present degree of overcrowding, condition of native tenements.

6. No time should therefore be lost in dealing with this question, and in this connection, I beg to submit in the accompanying plan a project for reclamation and

house building in the Causeway Bay District by which 271 acres of ground will be rendered available for the erection of 1,200 Chinese tenements. The project also provides for the connection of that district with the city by means of a tramway from Whitfield Station to a terminus at the Blue Buildings, Wan-tai.

7. I should state at the outset that this scheme does not contemplate throwing all this land on the market at the same time, but in its details, I trust will be left to the商量人 as soon as the portions previously sold are in process of being covered with new houses.

8. The cost of these works, and reclamations may be defrayed, not from the ordinary Public Revenue of the Colony, but from the previous realisation by the periodical sale of vacant Crown lands. For the purpose of creating a fund from this source I would not however force or stimulate the sale of Crown lands, but merely meet—as it arises—the normal demand for building sites in any portion of the island or Kowloon.

9. The accompanying plan (not given) of the Causeway Bay project shows, divided red, the area already reclaimed and built upon, and tinted green a further area which it is now recommended should be reclaimed in order to secure the authority of the district.

10. The portion tinted green is at present during the hours of low water, an objectionable foreshire extending out over 300 feet. The original reclamation project of 1883, had comprised this foreshire in the area to be filled in, but the great cost involved ultimately led to the curtailment of the project and only the land shown, tinted red, has been filled in.

11. It is also recommended that the area already reclaimed (coloured red) be raised in the form of a slope to an additional height averaging three feet throughout, in view of the proposed new sewerage system, and in order to give a gradient sufficient to impede the velocity of flow of sewage along the main drainage arteries shown in blue lines on the plan.

12. The sewerage of the new district could not be emptied into Causeway Bay without causing flooding in the harbours there or into one intercepting sewer. The contents of all main drains must therefore be galliford into one intercepting sewer and taken along the Shaukiwan Road in the direction of North Point, and there emptied into the tidal current.

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## NEWS BY THE FRENCH MAIL.

The M. M. Co.'s steamer *Anadyr* arrived here this evening with the London mail of the 8th ultimo. We are unable to give any extracts from the home papers to-night, but delayed the publication of our paper in order to give the following telegrams, taken from Ceylon papers—

## OENTARY.

London, April 14.—The Rev. Mr. Long, the well-known Canton Missionary, has received RECOGNITION ON A FRENCHMAN.

London, April 14.—A French naval officer states to the German Police that he has been arrested in the vicinity of a German submarine.

London, April 22.—M. Schneebell, a German Commissioner of Police, has been arrested in the vicinity of a German submarine.

London, April 23.—The evidence in the Schneebell case is very conflicting.

The German representative at Paris says the German witness deposes very much to the contrary.

A GERMAN PAPER ASSISTS BISMARCK AND BIEBER.

Berlin, April 3.—The German newspaper *Die Presse* urges the concession in the Ecclesiastical Bill as incomplete. It says: Bismarck's policy remains as it was, as ever in principle, though it has been modified.

The German representative at Paris has renewed his protest to the Pope.

London, April 23.—The North German Gazette announces on its editorial page that M. Schneebell was arrested on German territory charged with treasonable conduct in Alsace.

London, April 23.—The arrest of M. Schneebell is a violation of international law.

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Hangchow	British
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Louisa	Dan. sch.
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MERCHANT STEAMERS.	
Hoo-shin	Chinese

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